

**NATIONAL PHASE  
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**Transmittal to the (DO/EO/US)**  
**Under 35 USC 371**

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- (X) This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
- (X) This is an Express Request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)).
- (X) The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).
- (X) A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)) has been communicated by the International Bureau.
- (X) Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)) have not been and will not be made.
- (X) An Oath or Declaration signed by the inventor in two (2) pages (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)).

**OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:**

- (X) Preliminary Amendment in seven (7) pages.
- (X) Seven (7) sheets of Drawings.
- (X) Power of Attorney signed by the inventor in one (1) pages.
- (X) International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).
- (X) PCT Request (PCT/RO/101).
- (X) International Application As Published (WO/2005/088181).

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